

EXAMINER'S COMMENT

Inventorship

1. In view of the papers filed March 15, 2011, it has been found that this nonprovisional application, as filed, through error and without deceptive intent, improperly set forth the inventorship, and accordingly, this application has been corrected in compliance with 37 CFR 1.48(a). The inventorship of this application has been changed by deleting inventor K. Crockett.

The application will be forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination (OIPE) for issuance of a corrected filing receipt, and correction of Office records to reflect the inventorship as corrected.

Terminal Disclaimer

2. The terminal disclaimer filed on March 15, 2011 disclaiming the terminal portion of any patent granted on this application which would extend beyond the expiration date of US 6,511,477 has been reviewed and is accepted. The terminal disclaimer has been recorded.

Conclusion

3. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. US 2003/0171294 to Hung which discloses injecting a therapeutic agent downstream from a coronary occlusion (paragraph 0015) but which does not disclose this information in the provisional application which it claims priority from.

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to JACQUELINE CHENG whose telephone number is (571)272-5596. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 10:00-6:30.

5. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Robert Chen can be reached on 571-272-3672. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

6. Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see <http://pair-direct.uspto.gov>. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free). If you would like assistance from a USPTO Customer Service Representative or access to the automated information system, call 800-786-9199 (IN USA OR CANADA) or 571-272-1000.

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